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Online Tickets go live for the Indian Hockey Team Home Matches of the FIH Hockey Pro League 2020 today

~ Tickets are available on [ticketgenie.in](https://www.ticketgenie.in) from 1100hrs IST onwards ~

New Delhi, 21 November 2019: With close to two months to go for the second edition of the much-anticipated FIH Hockey Pro League 2020, Hockey India on Thursday announced that the sale of online tickets for the Indian home matches will go live today from 1100hrs IST onwards. It will be the first time that India will be participating in the FIH Hockey Pro League 2020, which will see the Indian Men's Hockey Team play hosts to the likes of The Netherlands, Belgium, Australia and New Zealand in a total of eight matches which will take place at the Kalinga Hockey Stadium in Bhubaneswar spanned from 18th January - 24 May 2020.

The six-month long FIH Hockey Pro League 2020 will see World No. 5 Indian Men's Hockey Team start off their campaign by hosting World No. 3 The Netherlands in two home matches on 18th and 19th January 2020, which will be followed by the Indian team playing two more home matches against the World Champions, Belgium on 8th and 9th February 2020 at the Kalinga Hockey Stadium.

India, who recently qualified for the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games by defeating Russia in the FIH Hockey Olympic Qualifiers Odisha held in Bhubaneswar, will then be hosting World No. 1 Australia for two home matches on 21st and 22nd February 2020. These home matches will be followed by the Indian team touring World No. 6 Germany in April 2020, and Great Britain in May 2020 to play their away matches. The Indian Men's team will then return to their nation to host World No. 9 New Zealand on 23rd and 24th May 2020, which will be the last two home matches for India in this year's FIH Hockey Pro League.

The tickets for India's eight home matches of the FIH Hockey Pro League 2020, to be held at the Kalinga Hockey Stadium, are priced at INR 200 for the South and North Stands, INR 300 for East Stand, and INR 500 for West Stand.

Ticketgenie Solutions Pvt Ltd is the official ticket sales agency for the FIH Hockey Pro League 2020, and will make the tickets available online at 1100hrs IST on Thursday, 21st November 2019 onwards at <https://in.ticketgenie.in/Tickets/FIH-Hockey-Pro-League-2020>

Mohd Mushtaque Ahmad, President, Hockey India, spoke on the launch of sale of online tickets, "FIH Hockey Pro League 2020 is one of the most anticipated tournaments for us in the upcoming season. We will be playing our home matches in front of packed crowds who will be witnessing *hockey at its best* at the Kalinga Hockey Stadium, thereby making this new league a great spectacle for the fans. We are all very excited to kick-off our campaign in the FIH Hockey Pro League 2020 with the support of our fans, and with the launch of the sale of online tickets today, our fans from across the country will be able to book their spots to witness the best players in action, and rejoice in the festival of hockey."

The date for online redemption of the tickets, and physical sale of tickets will be announced in due course.

Please find attached schedule of the tournament and pictures of the Kalinga Stadium.

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About FIH HOCKEY PRO LEAGUE 2020

The FIH Hockey Pro League is designed as an entertainment product and is the centrepiece of FIH's New Events Portfolio, which kicked-off in January 2019 – replacing the Champions' Trophy and the World League Semi Finals and World League Final. It provided – for the first time ever – a regular calendar of must-see events played in packed stadia across the world and throughout the year.

The first season of the FIH Hockey Pro League was played in 2019, and was won by Australia. Fans and athletes alike enjoyed a new annual global home and away league involving the world's leading hockey nations. The format of the league is such that it culminates in a Grand Final with one nation being crowned Pro League Champions and receiving the single largest financial prize in the sport.

FIH believes the FIH Pro League will transform the landscape of international hockey because hockey fans the world over will be able to watch their favourite sport for an extended period on the same channel each year. Moreover, those fans whose team is participating have the chance to be part of the noise and sheer excitement of watching their team regularly in their home country.

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About HOCKEY INDIA

HOCKEY INDIA (HI) is the governing body with exclusive mandate to direct and conduct all activities for both men and women's hockey in India. It is recognized by the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports, Govt. of India as the sole body responsible towards promoting Hockey in India.

Headquartered in New Delhi, Hockey India was established on 20th May, 2009 and is affiliated to the International Hockey Federation (FIH), the Indian Olympic Association (IOA) and Asian Hockey Federation (AHF).

Committed to the development of Hockey in the country, Hockey India with the assistance of Sports Authority of India and Department of Sports, Government of India, trains players at sub-junior, junior and senior level. The governing body engages in Coaching the coaches with International Standard certification programs, educates and equips technical officials and umpires to find a foothold in international arena, provides world-class infrastructure and International exposure for the players besides regular international competition. Hockey India has also pioneered in bringing top

International hockey events to India such as the FIH Men's World Cup in 2010 and 2018, FIH Champions Trophy in 2014, FIH Junior Men's World Cup in 2016, FIH Hockey World League Final in 2017. With its vision to popularize the game and constantly promote it, Hockey India is dedicated to getting our national team(both men and women) into the top three in the world.

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About ODISHA

Odisha - the Eastern State of India - is known for its love for Hockey. The State successfully hosted the Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018 and hosted the FIH Men's Series Finals Bhubaneswar Odisha 2019 in June. Odisha has previously hosted the Champions Trophy 2014 and the Odisha Men's Hockey World League Final Bhubaneswar 2017. Kalinga Lancers, the team owned by the State, is the winners in the Hockey India League 2017. Taking a step further towards realising the dream of restoring the glory of Indian Hockey at the global level, the State is sponsoring the Indian Hockey Teams till 2023

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